



JULIANA RICO / ARTIST LECTURE SERIES SPRING 2025

Thursday, March 27, 7:00 PM

Location: Visual Arts – Bldg. A – RM# 113

Presented in partnership with Art History

Free and open to the public

Juliana Rico is an award-winning, nationally showcased, queer, Latinx visual artist working primarily in photography and video. She earned her MFA in Creative Photography from California State University Fullerton and her BFA in Photography from San Jose State University. She is faculty in Photography at Pasadena City College.

Identity and representation are themes that are integral to Rico's practice as an artist and educator. She comes from an intersectional identity that consistently places her as "the other." She uses this perspective to question and counter the colonialist defaults to carve out spaced aid in collective healing for many underrepresented groups who have not seen themselves reflected in art and media. Rico's works have been showcased nationally in Chicago, the University of Texas at Arlington, Miami, New Mexico, and throughout California. Her series of photographs, *Self-Decolonization* (2020) is currently on view through May 17 as a part of the exhibition, *Vitae: A New Generation* at the COTA Galleries.

In addition to being an artist, Rico is an educator. She teaches photography at Pasadena City College and mentors community members through community organizations. She has also co-founded the Emerging Artist Society, an artist community built upon sharing resources and aiding emerging artists in professional development.

Learn more about the artist: Artist's website: <http://julianarico.com> | IG: juliana_rico_

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